Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter

Cloverbud Day Camp August 6, 2008 Hike the "M" & Fish Hatchery

Cloverbud Day Camp is a wonderful opportunity for 6-8 year olds to experience the outdoors through hands-on learning. Meet at the Fairgrounds at 8:30 AM for the trip to Bridger Canyon Fish Hatchery. We will tour the Hatchery and follow up with a hike to the "M". The afternoon is full of activities and workshops. Parent pick up is at 4:30 at the Fairgrounds. Cost for camp is \$15 for the day - bring your own lunch. PARENTS WELCOME!!! Registration form available at the 4-H Office.

Bogert's Farmers' Market Booth

Gallatin County 4-H has a booth reserved at the Bogert Farmers Market on August 5th. If you would like to take part in this opportunity to provide activities and games, as well as promote 4-H or your club or project after the Fair, call the 4-H office or email fpoet@montana.edu. Faith will be there to talk about the 4-H program. We have the booth from 5-8.

Fair Congratulations!!!!

Congratulations all ribbon winners and participants at the 2008 Gallatin County Fair. Because of the large number of entries, we are unable to include a list of all the winners in this newsletter. You can access the winners list on our website at: www.gallatinextension.com

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers in the concession stand. We couldn't have done it without you. You were all outstanding!!! Hope to see you again next year.

Amy Veltkamp



Market Sale Thanks!!!

Trophy Sponsors:

Bozeman Trophy Rocky Mountain Supply

Buyer's Breakfast Sponsors:

Lee & Dads IGA Headwaters Livestock

Auctioneers:

Cory Vellinga Dan TeSelle Garth Isbell

Clerk:

Capi Kountz and all her helpers

Special Thanks to: **Arlene Haugland**

All Our Wonderful Vets! All Our Hard Working 4-H Members! All Our Great Parents!

All Our Generous Buyers!

All Our Meat Processors!

Unlimited Leaders Council Meeting

YOU'RE INVITED TO ATTEND.

The next meeting will be held on August 12 at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. As always, all 4-H members, leaders and families are invited to attend these meetings. Come and see what the council does for you.

Attention All Kids Who Sold Animals at the Market Sale

4-H MEMBERS - PLEASE REMEMBER TO THANK YOUR BUYERS!!!! BEFORE MARKET SALE CHECKS WILL BE IS-SUED, THE 4-H OFFICE NEEDS TO KNOW THAT YOU SENT A THANK YOU TO YOUR BUYER. STOP BY OUR OFFICE & SHOW US YOUR THANK YOU TO GET YOUR NAME CHECKED OFF THE LIST. Any questions, call us at 388-3213.



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Cowboy Action Shooting

We are wrapping up our first year in August. If you did not have the chance to participate this year, watch your newsletter for next year. We will be starting up again in March. Make sure you re-enroll in 4-H by the deadline to avoid any late fees. If you have any questions, please give our office a call.

Montana State 4-H Horse Show "Buckle Up and Ride"

The State 4-H Horse Show will be held on September 12-14, at the Sapphire Event Center in Corvallis, Montana. The show book is available at the Gallatin County 4-H Office or check the Missoula County website at http://missoulaeduplace.org/4H committees other.shtml

Swine

Carcass meeting will be held in mid-September. Watch your newsletter for more information and make sure not to miss out. You must attend in order to receive any carcass premium money.

Shooting Sports

There will be a muzzleloader workshop at Bill Ott's home on Tuesday, August 5th at 6:00 p.m. All equipment and supplies will be provided or you may bring your own. If you plan to attend, call Bill Ott at 209-2599.

Shooting Sports Training

Baker, Montana will be the site of the next State 4-H Shooting Sports Training on September 5th and 6th. All disciplines will be offered which includes Rifle, Pistol, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzle Loading, Hunting, and Coordinator. Thanks to a successful pilot program in Gallatin County, 4-H Cowboy Action Shooting has been added to the list of disciplines offered at the Training in Baker on September 5th and 6th. And thanks to Carter-Fallen Counties for accommodating this new training discipline. This is still a pilot project and there will be many changes before the final curriculum comes out in the fall of 2009 or 2010. This training will prepare leaders for all they have to do to plan for the first year -the resources needed, teaching techniques, liability, and range rules and safety. The project is designed to begin in the spring and end when school starts again the following fall (however, counties have the option to schedule to their needs). If the bulging attendance at the Congress workshop is any indicator, there is a lot of interest in 4-H Cowboy Action among teens. The cost of registration is \$50 for adults and \$25 for teen leaders (who may assist an adult leader). Lunch on Saturday is included in the registration, but participants will be responsible for their own lodging arrangements. Area motels include the Sagebrush Inn at 778-3341, Roy's Motel at 778-3321, and the Montana Motel at 778-3315. Contact the 4-H Office for registration form.



Enrollments for the 2008-2009 4-H Year

We are currently accepting enrollments for the next 4-H year — the deadline to re-enroll is October 31st. Regular enrollment fees are \$15 per member - \$30 per family (not including the leader membership) - \$5 per leader - \$5 per Cloverbud. Enrollments received after October 31st will be charged a \$5 late fee per member/leader. Each additional month after that will be an additional \$5 per month with a maximum of \$15.00 per member or leader. The new Clover books are in our office. You may pick up your enrollment forms and Clovers at the Gallatin County 4-H office 201 West Madison, Suite 300, Belgrade. We are in the Valley Professional Offices, Building #2 (just east of the Lee & Dad's shopping center) or download the enrollment form from our website at www.gallatinextension.com. If you have any questions call us at 388- 3213.

2008 State Leaders Forum

The Montana 4-H Leaders Forum, "Fall Into Leadership", September 26-27 in Great Falls, MT, is an opportunity for 4-H leaders to gain new insights, learn about new projects, and mingle with other 4-H leaders from across the state. It's basically a conference for 4-H volunteers. Workshops include project ideas, strengthening the learning experience, useful and educational activities, and dealing with a diversity of people. Keynote speaker is Kim Gibbs "Stirrup Success" and entertainment provided by TJ Casey, singer, songwriter, storyteller, humorist.

Registration is \$65.00 due by September 2nd and \$70 after September 2nd. Registration closes September 16 and is limited to 200. There are grant funds available for first time attendees that covers the registration cost. Motel rooms are available from \$75.00. If interested, please call the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office at 388-3213 for complete information and registration materials. Scholarships are available through the Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council.

2008 NILE Merit Heifer Program (A live animal scholarship)

The purpose of the project is to help youth get a start in the beef cattle business by awarding heifer calves to project participants chosen on the basis of merit, need, future goals and ability to care for the animal. Any youth ages 13-17, who is a 4-H or FFA member may enter. Entries are not limited to Montana. Entries will be made in the form of an application, (think of this as



applying for a live animal scholarship) with a deadline of September 15, 2008. Project participants will be selected by October 1, 2008, will be recognized at the NILE Stock Show in October 2008 and will make delivery arrangements for their heifers in December 2008. Each program participant will own their calf jointly with NILE until the completion of the program, at which time NILE officials will sign off and the participant will take full ownership of the heifer and her offspring. During the program duration, participants are responsible for raising the heifer, arranging for her to be bred, completing the record keeping procedure and bringing the animal back one year later as a bred replacement heifer for exhibit at the Nile Stock Show (October 2009). The program is completed after the heifer is determined bred, all record keeping has been completed and the heifer has been shown at the 2009 NILE. Note: participants will **not** sell their program animals at NILE, the purpose of this program is to help the participant start his or her own cattle herd. Enrollment forms can be found at www.meritheifer.com.

Fairgrounds Balances Due By Project:

Beef: \$54.70

Dairy Cow: Credit of (\$44.00)

Dog: \$443.40

Dog Obedience: \$269.63 Fly Tying: \$178.30

Foods: \$96.00 Gallatin Valley Livestock: Credit of (\$316.15) Gateway Challengers: Credit of (\$111.00) Horse: \$4,771.33 Horticulture: Credit of (\$800.00) Marketing: \$108.00

Pocket Pets: \$244.25 Poultry: \$18.80

Rabbit: Credit of (\$22.70)

Round Robin: \$174.63 Sheep: Credit of (\$225.50) Skateboarding: \$260.75

Swine: \$148.65 Wood: \$69.83

4-H: Credit of (\$631.68)

Total Owed: \$4,687.24

Award Form Gallatin County 4-H

ving of a County 4-H
or any other activities

Please submit this award application, <u>along with the member's record book</u>, to the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office on or before **Monday**, **August 20**, **2008**



Attention Members & Leaders - Important Record Book Information

MEMBERS: Your record books are due to your CLUB LEADER OR PROJECT LEADER by Friday, August 15th. Don't forget to fill in your fair activities.

CLUB LEADERS & PROJECT LEADERS: Please review record books from your 4-H members and attach a gold seal (available at the office) if the record book is complete. If you are nominating a 4-H member for an award, please turn in their award application and the 4-H members record book to the office by August 20th. Use enclosed form (copy as needed).

AWARDS: 4-H members may be nominated by their <u>project leader</u>, <u>club leader</u>, <u>fellow 4-H member</u>, <u>parent</u>, <u>or themselves</u>. Awards are available in all project areas, community service, club leadership, and overall involvement. Please nominate any member you think deserves some recognition. All nominees will receive a certificate of honorable mention. You may also nominate leaders and the awards committee will match their nomination with the appropriate award. There is an award nomination form included in this mailing. Award nominations must be in the 4-H office on or before August 20th. The awards committee will meet and make final decisions. All awards will be announced at the awards program in September. Watch for more information in next months newsletter.

Albertsons Community Partners Program

Buy Groceries and Earn Money for Gallatin County 4-H with your Albertsons Community Partners Card. Gallatin County 4-H is participating in the Albertsons *Community Partners* Program. Our organization will receive between 1 and 5% of your eligible purchases in the form of a cash contribution from Albertsons. To sign up, go to www.albertsons.com/cp/. You will need your preferred savings card number and phone number. **Gallatin County 4-H partner number is 4900012184**.

State 4-H Congress: Finding our Element

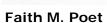
Gallatin County sent 4 individuals to State 4-H Congress, two competing in events, Kayla Bishop, Fashion Revue and Karissa Woienski, Speech; and two participating as county delegates and ambassador representatives, Sammie Cheney and Karoline Rose. Kayla and Karissa did very well in their competitions and showed the entire delegation their elements. A second place finish has entitled Karissa to represent Montana at either National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, GA or at Roundup in Denver, CO. Sierra Reyher was recognized as a recipient of the Murdoch's Scholarship in the amount of \$1000 at the 4-H Foundation showcase during State Congress. Congratulations!!!

Hunting, Shooting, or Outdoor Activities Video Essay Contest Announced

Daisy Airguns and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation are sponsoring a video essay contest where youth, ages 10-18, are asked to submit a 60-90 second essay demonstrating how safe, ethical hunting and shooting, spending time in the outdoors, or conserving and appreciating wildlife and nature has positively impacted their lives. Contest winners will receive prizes from the Elk Foundation, Daisy and Cabela's. Visit www.daisy.com for a portal to complete entry rules, prize descriptions and uploading info. The Daisy-Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation "Take Aim At Safety" Video Essay Contest begins May 5, 2008, and ends Jan. 1, 2009. Winners will be selected Jan. 15, 2009.

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4-H License Plates:

The State 4-H Foundation Board met during 4-H Congress and a hot topic was the 4-H license plate. The state legislature will be looking at the abundance of specialty plates available in the 2009 session and several will likely be discontinued. One of the criteria used to determine if a plate will stay is the number being purchased for the

organization. Funds from the purchase of the plate help both the county and the state levels of 4-H, this year alone Gallatin County has received \$600. At the county level we have been able to provide scholarships and pay for miscellaneous 4-H items and needs through the license plate funds we have received. If you are renewing your license plates, purchasing a new car or adding a driver, consider purchasing the 4-H license plate. Help keep this great looking plate available!

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Congratulations on a job well done at Fair! I had a great time getting to meet you and see how the fair here works. I saw some excellent projects exhibited as well as some fantastic showman. A huge thank you to the team of volunteers and leaders in the barns and buildings that helped make each part of Fair a success!

A couple of Post- Fair Notes:

- © Be sure to get your Thank You notes for your buyers into the office if you haven't already.
- © If each family would personally send a special thank you to NorthWestern Energy for sponsoring the ribbons this year that would be greatly appreciated!
- On't forget to turn your record books into your leaders!
- © We have a few things that were left from the indoor exhibit building, please stop by the office and claim your items & ribbons!



Next month for a Junior Leader Group starting early this fall!

Time and place for a kickoff event will be in the September newsletter!

